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November 26, 1917.

A special meeting of the Friendly Visitors Committee was called by the Executive Secretary, Mr. W. L. Ashby, on November 6, 1917. The object of the meeting was to have a conference with the above named committee and a committee representing the Tenement House Commission.

Friendly Visitors present:

Mrs. Gregory, presiding. Mrs. Douglas, Mrs. Francisco, Miss Mulford, Miss Gay Mulford, Mrs. Brooks, Mrs. Richardson, Miss Robinson, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Mary Stewart, Mrs. Woodson, Mr. Stewart, Mr. E. S. Monroe.

Tenement House Committee present:

Miss C. Nieman, Miss Francis Legue, Mrs. Burke, Mrs. Wright and Miss J. Ficks and Mr. E. W. Burns of the La Dew Factory.

Miss Nieman presented a map showing the place for investigation which her committee had planned and asked for volunteers to help the work. Much discussion followed and it was finally stated that the object of the investigation is to visit houses and tenements to see that the Tenement House laws are being observed. Several points were to be emphasized, such as the water supply, toilet facilities, light, entrances and exits. The matter to be reported finally to Mr. Becker. Mr. Ashby volunteered to carry the district and to divide it into sections. It was suggested that those present volunteer one hour per week for the investigation.

Mrs. Gregory asked for volunteers, stating the matter was exactly the work which the Friendly Visitors have been doing in other sections of the city, though this particular section has not been visited by them yet. Those who volunteered to work with the visiting committee and to make their reports to Mr. Ashby were: Mrs. Gregory, Mrs. Douglas, Miss Robinson, Mrs. Stewart, Mr. Stewart, Mrs. Wright and Mrs. Francisco.

Mrs. Wright spoke of her work among the boys

of the city.

Miss Burns emphasized the necessity for organizations such as ours to enlighten new comers in adjusting themselves in new conditions; securing proper clothing especially. The matter of the very unhealthy conditions under which men lived and worked at the Synthetic Dye works was told by Mr. Ashby.

It caused much discussion and several ideas were advanced as to how these conditions might be remedied. It was finally decided that all agencies in the city be exhausted in making them change these conditions and if these failed, appeal to the Federal Government, showing them how the health of the nation was being reduced by the carelessness of these people.

Mr. Ashby was asked to state the work already accomplished by the League and to state plans for future work. It was well received.

Miss E. M. Burns, Bureau and Social Worker from the La Dew Factory, told of efforts made at her factory to safeguard the health of employees. She also stated the City Clinics would be opened two nights every week for use of men busy in the day.

It was quite evident that Miss Burns is an expert along her line and a person deeply interested in humanity.